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Amendment to Specification

Please amend the Specification at page one by inserting a new paragraph immediately below the title, as follows:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(e), this application claims the benefit of earlier filed applications as follows: the present application is a Continuation of USSN 09/802,305, filed 03/08/2001, now US Patent No. 6,649,165, which is a Divisional of USSN 09/367,011, filed 09/07/1999, now US Patent No. 6,638,506, which is a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/DE97/02883, filed 12/10/1997.

Please amend the Specification on page one, section "Cross-reference to related applications" by replacing it with the following section:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/802,305, filed on March 8,2001, entitled A METHOD OF BLOCKING CYTOTOXIC ACTIVITY IN PATIENTSS WITH AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS USING SOLUBLE FCGRIII RECEPTORS, now US Patent No. 6,649,165, which is a divisional of Application No. 09/367,011, filed September 7,1999, entitled USE OF SUBSTANCES WITH IMMUNOMODULATING ACTIVITY FOR THE TREATMENT OF AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS, now US Patent No. 6,638,506, which is a National Stage filing under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/DE97/02883, filed December 10, 1997, the whole of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.